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1/28/2019 NEWS RELEASE

DWI Driver had Passenger who had Cocaine and Identifications Belonging to Others

Date: Saturday, January 26, 2019 @ 11:38 P.M.

Location: 400 block of Mesita Dr.

Arrested 1: 23 – year old Fernando GOMEZ of El Paso, TX Arrested 2: 19 – year old Cynthia CONTRERAS of El Paso, TX

EL PASO, Texas – The El Paso Police Department's Traffic/DWI Task Force unit has arrested the driver of a vehicle for DWI and the passenger for Possession of Cocaine and Possession of Possession of Identifying information late Saturday. The preliminary investigation revealed that 23-year old Fernando GOMEZ was driving a blue 2007 Mazda 3 west on N. Mesa in the 2800 block without headlights displayed at 11:38 P.M. The vehicle was stopped for the violation and GOMEZ was found to be intoxicated and placed under arrest for DWI. Officers identified 19-year old Cynthia CONTRERAS as the front seat passenger in the Mazda. Further investigation revealed that CONTRERAS was in possession of cocaine (.2 grams) and in possession of identifying information of three or more other persons. GOMEZ was booked into the El Paso County Jail for DWI and CONTRERAS was booked on Possession of Controlled Substance (Cocaine) =<1gram and Fraudulent use/Possession of identifying information.

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